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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6434**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1043

**NOTE PREPARED:** Nov 25, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Division of Interscholastic Athletics.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Buell

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill creates the Division of Interscholastic Athletics within the Department of Education to administer all interscholastic athletic programs. The bill allows the Division to enter into agreements with nonpublic schools for participation in interscholastic athletic programs. The bill provides that a school corporation may participate only in interscholastic athletics that are governed by the Division. The bill repeals the law concerning interscholastic athletic association case review panels.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Summary:* The Department of Education would incur additional administrative time and personnel costs to fulfill the requirements of this bill. The salaries for a division director, assistants, and other personnel would be determined by a nine-member Interscholastic Athletics Board of Directors with approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Budget Agency.

Although this bill does not specify an exact number of support staff required for the Division, it does enumerate the powers and duties of the Board which are similar to the responsibilities of the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA). The IHSAA is comprised of 21 board members and approximately 10 support staff.

*Personnel Salaries:* The salary compensation of a director for the Division (ESM I) could total \$71,176 in FY 2005. Additionally, if the Division required ten staff comprised of clerical and professional personnel (i.e., four PAT I positions and six COMOT IV positions) the estimated salary compensation could be \$102,080 for six clerical staff (COMOT IV) in FY 2005. The salary compensation of four professional staff (PAT I) could total \$143,757 in FY 2005.

The fringe benefits for all 11 positions listed above could total \$126,507 in FY 2005.

Total staff costs (salary, fringes, and other indirect costs) for the above 11 personnel to fulfill the requirements of this bill could equal \$476,520 in FY 2005.

The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: (1) Existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing staff and resources currently being used in another program; (3) Authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would need to be reclassified; (4) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (5) New appropriations. As of November 5, 2003, the DOE had 261 full-time staff members. The DOE has approximately 278 budgeted full-time positions.

*Board Per Diem and Travel Reimbursement:* Members of the nine-member Interscholastic Athletics Board of Directors would be entitled to per diem, lodging, travel reimbursement, and any other necessary expense incurred for other official duties. The Department would be responsible for implementing these provisions.

The bill does not make an appropriation to fund the above requirements. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

#### *Background:*

*Mission* - The IHSAA currently regulates, supervises, and administers interschool athletic activities among its 387 member high schools. It determines qualifications of individual contestants, coaches, and officials. The Association was organized in 1903.

*Board of Directors* - The IHSAA is governed by its legislative body, the Board of Directors. Composed of 21 members who are elected by member school principals from three IHSAA-designated districts, the directors serve staggered three-year terms. The Board of Directors meets annually with the responsibility to establish IHSAA rules and regulations.

*Executive Committee* - Within the Board of Directors is the Executive Committee composed of directors serving the second and third years of their three-year terms. The Executive Committee meets monthly and is responsible for organizing and directing state tournaments and state meets among other administrative duties.

*Public Law 15-2000* - Public Law 15-2000 required the IHSAA to establish a case review panel comprised of parents, high school principals, and athletic directors appointed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Case Review Panel examines the application and interpretation of IHSAA rules and makes decisions regarding individual cases brought forth by concerned parents.

Under the bill, Public Law 15-2000 would be repealed. As a result, the Department could experience a minimal savings on expenditures.

#### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Currently, school corporations are allowed to participate in athletic events conducted, organized, sanctioned, or sponsored by the IHSAA. Under the bill, school corporations

would continue to be allowed to participate in such athletic events, but under the purview of the Division of Interscholastic Athletics. School corporations would incur no additional administrative time or cost as a result of this bill.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Education.

**Local Agencies Affected:** School corporations.

**Information Sources:** State of Indiana *HRM Detail Staffing Report 11/05/2003*; Indiana State Budget Agency BUDSTARS; [www.ihsaa.org](http://www.ihsaa.org).

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